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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Beth Borowsky, et al.
Serial No. : 09/116,676
Filed : July 16, 1998
For : DNA ENCODING A HUMAN Ob RECEPTOR (Ob-Re)
AND USES THEREOF

1185 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036
December 7, 1998

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

ATTN: Box Missing Parts

Sir:

**COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53 (d) AND
PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) issued in connection with the above-identified application on August 7, 1998, a copy of which is enclosed as **Exhibit A**, applicants submit as **Exhibit B** a Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63. The Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date. In accordance with the Notice, the deadline for submitting the Declaration and Power of Attorney was originally October 7, 1998. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time to respond to the August 7, 1998 Notice. The fee for a two-month extension of time for a large entity is THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$380.00). A check which includes this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the August 7, 1998 Notice is now due December 7, 1998. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

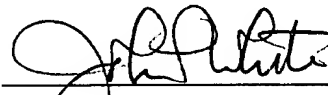
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The enclosed check for FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00) also includes the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00) to cover the surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) for submitting the enclosed Declaration for a large entity.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invite the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

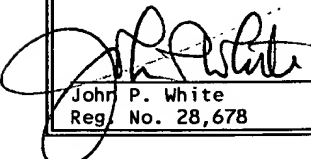
No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$510.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any other fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:
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